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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: HB 1454

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 29, 2007

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Prenatal Substance Use Prevention Program.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Klinker

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
X DEDICATED
X FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill establishes the Prenatal Substance Use Prevention Program within the State Department of Health to help prevent poor birth outcomes by helping to decrease or eliminate the use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs during pregnancy.

Effective Date: July 1, 2007.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) reports that it currently administers the Prenatal Substance Use Prevention Program. In addition, all of the requirements under the bill, with the exception of: (a) establishment of a statewide toll-free telephone counseling service, and (b) provision of free educational materials through the counseling services, are currently conducted by the Program.

The term counseling is not defined under the bill. Actual expenditures for the bill will depend on interpretation of the term. The following table presents information pertaining to estimated costs to establish a statewide toll-free telephone counseling services depending on interpretation of the term counseling.

	Fiscal Impact
(a) Counseling is interpreted to mean resource and referral services.	No fiscal impact; services are currently provided.
(b) Counseling is interpreted to mean services provided by a person with education equivalent to a bachelor's degree.	Estimated to be approximately \$267,000. Assumes an average salary, including fringe benefits, to be \$41,650. Includes equipment and toll-free telephone costs.
(c) Counseling is interpreted to mean services provided by a person with education equivalent to a master's degree or higher.	Estimated to be approximately \$546,000. Assumes an average salary, including fringe benefits, to be \$88,000. Includes equipment and toll-free telephone costs.

Additional costs for educational materials are estimated to be approximately \$15,500.

Background Information: The Program is a three-tier prevention program administered by the ISDH and funded by the Division of Mental Health and Addiction, Indiana Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Program, and Maternal and Child Health Services.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: ISDH, Division of Mental Health and Addiction.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Brian Carnes, Indiana State Department of Health; Willard Mays, Family and Social Services Administration; <http://www.in.gov/isdh/programs/nbs/PSUPPSitemap.htm>.

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